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Jan. 6, 1908. S. S. America Maru. Dear Mamma: I have been up on deck looking at the scenery along the way until it began to get too cold. This is Monday and we were in Yokohama from Friday noon until this morning. Earl said we saw all there was to see and we surely did. We rode all over the town in jinrikishas and it was a picnic. The men nearly mob a person until they consent to ride. They go pretty fast and charge only 20 sen (or 10 cents) an hour, at least that's all you have to pay them. They will charge any amount if one isn't on to their ways. We went through a Buddhist Temple and saw some of them at their worship, saw hundreds of their idols. We had to slip clean white cloth covers over our shoes before we could enter and were allowed to touch nothing. Every room was just as rich as could be. I never saw such walls and ceilings before. Most of them were carved wood, some of the figures extending out a foot or more and then all tinted in gold and rich tints.

We went to Tokio Saturday morning and stayed all day, went through some of their parks, rode on their street cars as long as we could stand it and then took to jinrikishas again. The cars are small and poorly ventilated and as most of the people are dirty, and the cars are always crowded full, the odor is something terrible. Earl says he hardly notices the "Oriental smell" any more but the rest of us did. There were six of us from the America Maru went over together and Mr. Rosstler, a young fellow from Chicago, took a picture of us in jinrikishas. He and his wife are going to the Philippines. He is a civil engineer. She is not quite twenty-one and as tender and babyish as a child. We're thinking she will not want to stay long. We went out to the Imperial grounds in Tokio as near the Mikado's castle as they allow anyone to go, which is not very near, and a person is not permitted to take a picture even at distance.

We went through many of the shops and admired their silks and china of course. Their stores are very insignificant affairs compared with our city stores or even the stores in smaller towns in U.S. It was very cold all the time we were on shore and all the winter clothes a person could put on felt good. It has been so warm most of the way made us feel the cold worse. We

didn't see but one store while on land. Even in the shops they use a box with ashes in it and a little charcoal fire in the center and a kind of wire netting over it. The people all look cold and our captain, who married a Japanese woman, and whose home is in Yokohama says they are uncomfortable all most all the time during their cold weather, or most of them are.

Some of the girls are beautiful, most of the men are rather good looking and the children are the cutest things if they were only clean. I never saw a clean child except some belonging to the highest class and they live crowded up just like rats. There is practically no residence portion of town except for the wealthy class. The others all live in the back rooms or over the little shops. Most of the stores are no larger than two or three rooms of one house. We found a few better ones but they are not large. They keep their silks, embroideries, etc., all folded carefully and put away, some in glass cases but mostly in drawers. In passing the windows one can seldom see anything to show what kind of a shop it is only the sign above. Many of them have English signs.

We could see Fujiyama, the sacred mountain of Japan, for several hours this afternoon, and the best view of it we have had yet. From the ship for a long time we could see no other land and couldn't see any of it only the part above the clouds. It is an extinct volcano and the shape of the crater shows plainly. It is covered with snow and this afternoon it looked just like a beautiful picture in the sky. Pike's Peak can't compare with it and every American on board had to admit it, much to the satisfaction of the Japs. You can hardly find a picture here without the Mt. showing in the background, and it is on many of their dishes. I'll send you a postcard showing a picture of it.

The women and children all wear kimono's, very, very few have adopted American dress. Silk is very cheap and most of the kimono's as well as the mens overcoats are made of silk and silk lined. Most of the silk is very soft and lustrous. The women and most of the children go bareheaded even as cold as it was. They have very pretty smooth black hair and it looks like every hair is the same length. They put it up in beautiful rolls and almost everyones hair looks perfectly combed and arranged. Little girls from three years up have long hair and have it put up just as the grown women do.

They are so cute, and everyone is so polite. They bow from three to thirteen times on greeting anyone and always bid you goodbye with much feeling, even when you pass out of their shops.

We will get to Kobe tomorrow morning so I can mail this. I'm as well as I ever was in my life and couldn't be having a better time. Hope this finds you, Harry and every body well and that I may get a letter from you when we get to Manila. Earl keeps urging me not to expect a letter for fear I'll be disappointed. It seems like a long time since I heard from any of you. Write to me often and tell everybody to write for I'm already crazy to hear from Foster.

Lovingly,

TULA.

Mr. Bryan on the President's Message.

It is a brave message that the president sent to congress last Friday, and is needed at this time. All friends of reform have reason to rejoice that the president has used his high position to call attention to the wrongs that need to be remedied. He has discovered the running sore in our national life. He has pointed out the corrupting influences that flow from predatory wealth and the monopolistic enterprises which have given unearned riches to the few, who, by controlling the great industries of the nation have levied tribute on the whole country.

His warnings are entirely in harmony with the warnings which democrats have been uttering for more than a decade, and I hope that the democrats in the senate and house will promptly challenge the republicans to meet the issues that have been presented by the president.

There ought to be enough republicans in the two houses to join with the democrats and insure some remedial legislation at this session. If there be none the public ought to know it, so that when the next national republican convention endorses the present administration the hypocrisy of the endorsement will be understood. The president has discussed the relative spheres of the state and of the nation. We hope that in the measures which may be introduced in response to this appeal there will be no attempt to take from the states any power that they now have.

The democrats are in favor of the present power vested in the congress, but they want the national remedies added to the state remedies and not substituted for them. If the president's republican friends will join with the democrats in devising legislation which will be effective and yet within the recognized constitutional power of congress, great good may be accomplished before congress adjourns.

The president has issued a call to arms. Now let the battle begin and we shall soon be able to pick out the purchased newspapers and the purchased legislators described by the president, but not specifically named.—Commoner.

To Be No Gouging in Denver.

Denver, Feb. 10.—The local committee of the Democratic national committee, having in charge the details for quartering and entertaining delegates and visitors during the national Democratic convention in July, announces that there will be no excessive charges permitted for hotel and other accommodations. The committee also wishes to assure the public that Denver is able to furnish quarters for an enormous crowd and that all who visit the city next July will find comfortable stopping places at reasonable prices. The committee points to the manner of handling the grand army convention several years ago, when upwards of 100,000 people were guests of the city, as proof of this assertion.

Bryan Praised the Hebrews.

New York, Feb. 10.—William J. Bryan's stay in New York was a lively one. After a morning interview with the reporters, he hurried to Brooklyn, where he was tendered a reception by Bird S. Coler, president of the borough, and made a speech in which he said that the Democratic party presented a united front and was now in a position to fight the divided enemy; then he made a trip to Harlem, where he addressed a meeting of the Young Men's Hebrew association.

Six hundred auditors gave Mr. Bryan a hearty welcome at the meeting of the Young Men's Hebrew association, where he lauded the racial achievements of the Hebrews.

Caught by a Souvenir Postal.

Charles O. Hamby, who fled from Kansas City November 7, when he had been brought here from Higginsville, Mo., to stand trial in the federal court on the charge of forging a United States money order of \$35 was arrested in Warrensburg. J. E. Morrison, a deputy United States marshal, will bring Hamby to Kansas City. The United States officials learned that Hamby was in Warrensburg through a souvenir postal card that he mailed to his father in Higginsville.

When Hamby appeared in the federal court here he said that he had no attorney to represent him in the trial.

"Go out and get an attorney," Judge Smith McPherson said to Hamby.

The prisoner was permitted to leave the court room unattended by a deputy marshal. Hamby went away and did not return. His bond for \$500 signed by the Higginsville Milling company, was forfeited.

A Missourian Gets the Job.

Washington.—It is announced that Charles F. Grandfield, a Missourian and a Democrat, is to succeed Frank H. Hitchcock as first assistant Postmaster General. Mr. Hitchcock's resignation was effective February 15.

Charles F. Grandfield's first position in the Postoffice department was that of a \$1,000 clerk. Mr. Grandfield has been on the merit system and has filled nearly all intermediate positions in the first assistant's division. He was chief clerk under Beavers and during the absence of Mr. Hitchcock has been acting first assistant Postmaster General. His work has been purely departmental and his politics has never interfered with his advancement. He came here from Troy, Lincoln county, Missouri.

Odd Excuse For Murder.

Columbus, Ga., Feb. 19.—Alleging that for two years he has been pursued by the malign telepathic power of Dr. L. F. Meyers, Edward Power, a merchant, went to the office of the physician and shot him twice, inflicting wounds that will cause his death. "I had to do it," said Power, after the shooting. "Two years ago I became Meyers' patient and since then he has pursued me with his devilish telepathic power. Time after time this power has been exerted on me to make me do things that were wrong for the benefit of the doctor."

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Wallace Says He Will Run.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb.—The Reverend U. G. Robinson, president of the State Anti-saloon League and Arthur Tubbs, campaign manager for Judge James L. Fort, who came to Kansas City from St. Louis to induce Judge Wallace not to run for Governor, failed in their mission. They have returned to St. Louis bearing the answer of Judge Wallace, which is to the effect that he will not withdraw from the race.

Mr. Tubbs and Mr. Robinson argued and pleaded with Judge Wallace, but it was of no avail.

The friends of Judge Wallace say that he will strive for the straight Democratic nomination, and seek to make the issue strict law enforcement, including the observance of the Sunday laws and the enactment by the Legislature of laws limiting, if not absolutely prohibiting, the sale of liquor in saloons.

How Her Life Was Saved When Bitten by a Large Snake.

How few people there are who are not afraid of snakes. Not long ago a harmless little garter snake fell on the wheel of an automobile which was being driven by a woman. The woman promptly fainted and the car, left to its own resources, ran into a stone wall and caused a serious accident.

The bite of a poisonous snake needs prompt attention. Mrs. K. M. Finkel, Route No. 1, Box 40, Dillsburg, Pa., tells how she saved her life when bitten by a large snake.

"On August 29, 1906, I was bitten on the hand twice by a large copperhead snake. Being a distance from any medical aid, as a last resort I used Sloan's Liniment, and to my astonishment found it killed all pain and was the means of saving my life. I am the mother of four children and am never without your Liniment."

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